MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): How can he be? I have stated that no one could be in the list of acting men until he had actually been taken into the Account Office.

MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED (*Nominated*): What is the duration of these two appointments?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): I cannot answer now.

MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED (*Nominated*): As things are at present?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): How can I say, Sir, about the duration of the acting men?

PRESIDENT: Probably, the member wants it collectively, adding the two together.

MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED (*Nominated*): It is stated in reply to parts (*a*) and (*b*) that none has been appointed in a substantial capacity. So, what I say is that these two appointments should cease some time or other.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): I may tell the member that there may be a number of acting men with a number of years of acting service and we cannot say anything about their duration of office.

Report of the Navigation Special Officer.

279. MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the report of the Navigation Special Officer?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The report is not available now as it is in the Press.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know when this report was submitted to Government by the Special Officer?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have not got the information.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikom*): In answer to my question No. 94, the Government have stated that the report has only just been received and is being printed. Am I to understand that the report from that date to this date is in the Press?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The proofs were sent to the Chief Engineer for revision and he has finally passed them. So, it is now in the course of printing.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know when the Government expect it from the Press?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Very soon.

History of Services.

280. MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state why, in the History of Services published by the Government, the age of officers not confirmed in their respective appointments is omitted?

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